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Dear Examiner Matthews,

Attached, please find the results of your search request for application 10/614763. I have concentrated on finding information on Incision or cut or the skin, Insert to the Fascia, Create a Tissue pocket, Inflate Device and deflate, Remove device, Insert prothesis.

Items have been marked that may be of value to you. Please look over the complete package as other items may also be of use.

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Surgical dissecting method for creating working space in breast, involves inflating tissue expanding device to dissect tissue layers defining fascial cleft between chest wall and pectoralis major muscle to create tissue pocket

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Abstract (Basic): US 20040006388 A1

NOVELTY - The method involves inserting and advancing an inflatable tissue expanding device through an incision made through a skin. The device is inflated with a fluid to dissect tissue layers defining fascial cleft (16) between a chest wall and a pectoralis major muscle to anatomical boundaries of the cleft. The tissue is dissected to create a tissue pocket to the boundaries of the layers. The device is deflated and removed.

USE - Used for dissecting tissue layers to create an anatomic working space to perform laparoscopy in breast, forearm, leg and brow.

ADVANTAGE - The device can be tunneled in from a remote incision to a desired location where tissue expansion is to occur, thereby allowing immediate tissue dissection of the pocket and immediate initiation of expansion without the need to permit a local incision to heal.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a cross sectional view of a human cutaneous tissue and a balloon dissector utilized to form a tissue pocket between the superficial fascial and deep fascia.

Subcutaneous fat (10)

Dermis layer (11)

Superficial fascia (14)

Fascial cleft (16)

Deep fascia (18)

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Title Terms: SURGICAL; DISSECT; METHOD; WORK; SPACE; BREAST; INFLATE; TISSUE; EXPAND; DEVICE; DISSECT; TISSUE; LAYER; DEFINE; CLEFT; CHEST;

WALL; MAJOR; MUSCLE; TISSUE; POCKET

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Surgical method for dissection, sizing and expansion has balloon device combines the functions of dissection, sizing, and, optionally tissue expansion

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US 6055989 A 11 A61B-019/00 CIP of application US 96622341

Abstract (Basic): US 6055989 A

NOVELTY - The method involves;

(1) providing an inflatable device (28), which is reversibly expandable between a deflated condition and an expanded condition;

- (2) making an incision through access a desired fascial cleft (16) between tissue layers, the fascial cleft being bounded by ligaments joining the tissue layers;
- (3) inserting the device in the deflated condition through the incision into the fascial cleft;
- (4) inflating the device sufficiently to dissect the tissue layers and create a tissue pocket in the fascial cleft, which extends to the ligaments joining the tissue layers; and
 - (5) deflating and removing the device through the incision.
- USE For opening an anatomic space with the option of sizing and/or further expanding the dissected space.

ADVANTAGE - Performs any combination of the distinct functions of dissecting, expanding, and sizing in serial order.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing is cross-sectional view of the human cutaneous tissue, particularly illustrating a balloon being utilized to form a tissue pocket between the superficial fascia and deep fascia.

Fascial cleft (16)

Inflatable device (28)

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Title Terms: SURGICAL; METHOD; DISSECT; SIZE; EXPAND; BALLOON; DEVICE;

COMBINATION; FUNCTION; DISSECT; SIZE; OPTION; TISSUE; EXPAND

Derwent Class: P31

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Method for surgical dissection, sizing and expansion

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AUTHOR ADDRESS: 3011 82 Way North, St. Petersburg, FL, 33710, USA**USA JOURNAL: Official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office

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Petersburg, FL, USA PATENT COUNTRY: USA

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ABSTRACT: A method for surgical dissection, sizing and for expansion of a tissue pocket in a naturally occurring fascial cleft for use in plastic surgery applications and other applications where it is desirable to dissect an anatomically defined and bounded tissue pocket, determine the appropriate size of a prosthesis to be implanted into the tissue pocket and, if necessary, further expand the tissue overlying the tissue pocket. An inflatable device which performs the three distinct functions of dissection, sizing and tissue expansion is used. In a preferred method, a dissecting balloon device is tunneled bluntly to a desired location within a fascial cleft in the female breast. The device is then inflated to dissect tissue layers adjacent the fascial cleft until ligaments defining boundaries of the fascial cleft are reached, to create a tissue pocket extending to the ligamentous boundaries. After dissection, the tissue pocket may be sized by withdrawing/adjusting fluid from the inflatable member until the desired aesthetic appearance is achieved. If immediate or traditional tissue expansion is desired, the inflatable member may be utilized as a tissue expander and temporarily left in place to provide gradual tissue expansion. After the desired dissection, sizing and optional expanding, an implant prosthesis may be inserted into the tissue pocket and filled to a volume determined in the sizing step.

DESCRIPTORS:

MAJOR CONCEPTS: Surgery--Medical Sciences; Methods and Techniques BIOSYSTEMATIC NAMES: Hominidae--Primates, Mammalia, Vertebrata, Chordata, Animalia

ORGANISMS: human (Hominidae) -- female, patient

ORGANISMS: PARTS ETC: breast--reproductive system

COMMON TAXONOMIC TERMS: Animals; Chordates; Humans; Mammals; Primates; Vertebrates

METHODS & EQUIPMENT: plastic surgery--surgical method CONCEPT CODES:

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SOCIETY FOR THE STUDY OF ARTERIOSCLEROSIS (COUNCIL ON ARTERIOSCLEROSIS), AND THE SEVENTH NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THROMBOSIS AND HEMOSTASIS, DALLAS, TEX., USA, NOV. 17-20, 1986. AM HEART ASSOC MONOGR. ISSN: 0065-8499 DOCUMENT TYPE: Meeting RECORD TYPE: Citation LANGUAGE: ENGLISH REGISTRY NUMBERS: 7439-95-4: MAGNESIUM DESCRIPTORS: ABSTRACT DOG MAGNESIUM PROLONGED ATRIOVENTRICULAR CONDUCTION MYOCARDIAL TEMPERATURE ELECTROGRAPHY HIS BUNDLE DESCRIPTORS: MAJOR CONCEPTS: Cardiovascular System--Transport and Circulation BIOSYSTEMATIC NAMES: Canidae--Carnivora, Mammalia, Vertebrata, Chordata, Animalia COMMON TAXONOMIC TERMS: Animals; Carnivores; Chordates; Mammals; Nonhuman Vertebrates; Nonhuman Mammals; Vertebrates CHEMICALS & BIOCHEMICALS: MAGNESIUM CONCEPT CODES: 00520 General biology - Symposia, transactions and proceedings 10069 Biochemistry studies - Minerals 10504 Biophysics - Methods and techniques 14501 Cardiovascular system - General and methods 14506 Cardiovascular system - Heart pathology 23001 Temperature - General measurement and methods BIOSYSTEMATIC CODES: 85765 Canidae (Item 1 from file: 34) DIALOG(R) File 34: SciSearch(R) Cited Ref Sci (c) 2004 Inst for Sci Info. All rts. reserv. Genuine Article#: WL303 Number of References: 8 Title: Endoscopic harvest of the latissimus dorsi muscle using the balloon dissection technique Author(s): VanBuskirk FR (REPRINT); Rehnke RD; Montgomery RL; Eubanks S; Ferraro FJ; Levin LS Corporate Source: DUKE UNIV, MED CTR, DIV PLAST & RECONSTRUCT SURG, POB 3974/DURHAM//NC/27710 (REPRINT); DUKE UNIV, MED CTR, DIV PLAST RECONSTRUCT MAXILLOFACIAL & ORAL SURG/DURHAM//NC/27706; DUKE UNIV, MED CTR, DIV GEN SURG/DURHAM//NC/27706; UNIV N CAROLINA, SCH MED, DEPT CELL BIOL & ANAT/CHAPEL HILL//NC/27515 Journal: PLASTIC AND RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY, 1997, V99, N3 (MAR), P899-903 ISSN: 0032-1052 Publication date: 19970300 Publisher: WILLIAMS & WILKINS, 351 WEST CAMDEN ST, BALTIMORE, MD 21201-2436 Language: English Document Type: ARTICLE Geographic Location: USA Subfile: CC LIFE--Current Contents, Life Sciences; CC CLIN--Current Contents, Clinical Medicine Journal Subject Category: SURGERY Identifiers--KeyWord Plus(R): FLAP Cited References: BOSTWICK J, 1979, V63, P31, PLAST RECONSTR SURG BOSTWICK J, 1980, V65, P395, PLAST RECONSTR SURG EAVES F, 1995, P10, ENDOSCOPIC PLASTIC S JONES G, 1995, P512, ENDOSCOPIC PLASTIC S LEVIN LS, 1995, V11, P59, HAND CLIN MAXWELL GP, 1979, V64, P771, PLAST RECONSTR SURG MILLER MJ, 1995, V22, P755, CLIN PLAST SURG VASCONEZ LO, 1995, V22, P585, CLIN PLAST SURG

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Endoscopic harvest of the latissimus dorsi muscle using the balloon dissection technique

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Dr. E.R. Van Buskirk, Plastic/Reconstructive Surgery Div., Duke University Medical Center, P.O. Box 3974, Durham, NC 27710 United States Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (PLAST. RECONSTR. SURG.) (United States) 1997, 99/3 (899-905)

CODEN: PRSUA ISSN: 0032-1052 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH SUMMARY LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

NUMBER OF REFERENCES: 14

The latissimus dorsi muscle is a workhorse for reconstruction, including pedicled and microvascular free-tissue transfers. The purpose of this study is to determine the feasibility of endoscopic harvesting of the latissimus durst muscle as either a pedicled flap or a microvascular free-tissue transfer flap. The donor site is not exempt from morbidity, including seroma, hematoma, infection, and unsightly scarring. We present our technique of endoscopic harvest of the latissimus dorsi muscle based on 10 cadaveric dissections and 6 live patient surgical harvests. Balloon dissection using fascial clefts facilitates harvest. A transverse 4- to 5-cm posterior infraaxillary incision is made. Under direct visualization, the neurovascular pedicle is identified. A second transverse 1.5-cm

incision is marie in the area of the auscultatory triangle just superior to the superior border of the latissimus dorsi muscle. Using this port, a General Surgical Innovations 1500-cc balloon dissector is inserted and inflated in the epimuscular plane. It is directed inferolaterally to the paraspinous muscular perforators and superior to the lumbar muscular perforators. This is repeated in the submuscular plane with a 750-cc balloon dissector. A 10-mm zero)-degree endoscopic camera is inserted. A 5-mm lower lumbar incision port facilitates harvesting, which is accomplished by means of' the posterior infraaxillary incision. The optical cavity in the epimuscular plane is maintained with COinf 2 insufflation. The balloon device greatly speeds dissection and, if properly positioned, does not disrupt perforator blood supply. The latissimus dorsi muscle can be harvested either as a pedicled flat breast or chest-wall reconstruction or as a microvascular free-tissue transfer flap for more distant use. Endoscopic latissimus muscle harvest with balloon dissection technique is feasible, safe, and efficient in the clinical setting. There is potential for reduced donor-site morbidity and improve aesthetic result. MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS: *latissimus dorsi flap adolescent; adult; article; balloon; clinical article; dissection; endoscopic surgery; female; human; male; plastic surgery; priority journal; surgical technique SECTION HEADINGS: 009 Surgery 1/5/7 (Item 2 from file: 73) DIALOG(R) File 73: EMBASE (c) 2004 Elsevier Science B.V. All rts. reserv. EMBASE No: 1997082682 Improving the efficiency, ease, and efficacy of endoscopic abdominoplasty Ferraro F.J.; Zavitsanos G.P.; Van Buskirk E.R.; Rehnke R.D.; Ruff G.L.

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Endoscopic abdominoplasty is an appropriate procedure for a highly select patient population. This procedure is enhanced, and the goals are more readily achieved, by the use of a balloon dissector. Our cadaveric and subsequent clinical experience has proven this technique to be safe and cost effective.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

*abdominal wall defect--surgery--su

abdominoplasty; adult; article; balloon; case report; endoscopic surgery; female; human; priority journal; surgical technique SECTION HEADINGS:

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Endoscopy of the upper extremity

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Hand Clinics (HAND CLIN.) (United States) 1995, 11/1 (59-70)

CODEN: HACLE ISSN: 0749-0712 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Review

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH SUMMARY LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

Endoscopic techniques for surgery of the upper extremity show great promise based on recent discoveries of anatomic tissue planes. These planes can be dissected using new technology consisting of endoscopic balloons that create optical cavities that permit 'incisionless' surgery. This article contains a review of the anatomic principles, new surgical technology, and development of endoscopic tools, as well as an example of endoscopic tissue expansion placement for soft-tissue augmentation in the upper extremity. Endoscopic techniques as they relate to fractures, synovectomy, and peripheral nerve decompression are discussed.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

*arm injury--surgery--su; *endoscopic surgery; *fasciotomy; *forearm fracture--surgery--su; *fracture reduction; *nerve decompression adult; balloon; case report; equipment; female; human; open reduction; osteosynthesis; retractor; review; skin incision; surgical instrument; surgical technique; suturing method; synovectomy; tendon reconstruction; tendon transfer; tissue expansion SECTION HEADINGS:

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Endoscopic harvest of the latissimus dorsi muscle using the balloon dissection technique. Discussion

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Duke univ. medical cent., Durham NC 27710, USA Philadelphia hand cent., Philadelphia PA 19107, USA 1995, 11 (1) VII, 59-70 (13 p.) Journal: Hand clinics, ISSN: 0749-0712 CODEN: HACLEO Availability: INIST-21328; 354000055636310090

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Endoscopic techniques for surgery of the upper extremity show great promise based on recent discoveries of anatomic tissue planes. These planes can be dissected using new technology consisting of endoscopic balloons that create optical cavities that permit incisionless surgery. This article contains a review of the anatomic principles, new surgical technology, and development of endoscopic tools, as well as an example of endoscopic tissue expansion placement for soft-tissue augmentation in the upper extremity. Endoscopic techniques as they relate to fractures, synovectomy, peripheral nerve decompression are discussed

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dissection technique.

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Improving the efficiency, ease, and efficacy of endoscopic abdominoplasty.

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Endoscopic surgery of the upper extremity.

Levin L S; Rehnke R; Eubanks S

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Hand clinics (UNITED STATES) Feb 1995, 11 (1) p59-70, ISSN 0749-0712 Journal Code: 8510415

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Endoscopic techniques for surgery of the upper extremity show great promise based on recent discoveries of anatomic tissue planes. These planes can be dissected using new technology consisting of endoscopic balloons that create optical cavities that permit "incisionless" surgery. This article contains a review of the anatomic principles, new surgical technology, and development of endoscopic tools, as well as an example of endoscopic tissue expansion placement for soft-tissue augmentation in the

upper extremity. Endoscopic techniques as they relate to fractures, synovectomy, and peripheral nerve decompression are discussed.

Tags: Female; Human

Descriptors: *Arm--surgery--SU; *Endoscopy; Balloon Dilatation;

Endoscopes; Middle Aged

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Author(s): BUHRMAN WC; MOLTER DW; REHNKE RD; BLADERGROEN MR; BLANCHARD SM

; LOWE JE

Corporate Source: DUKE UNIV, MED CTR/DURHAM//NC/27710

Journal: CIRCULATION, 1986, V74, N4, P258

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(Item 2 from file: 350) DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2004 Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv. **Image available** 015913133 WPI Acc No: 2004-070973/200407 Related WPI Acc No: 2000-398881 XRPX Acc No: N04-057158 Surgical dissecting method for creating working space in breast, involves tissue expanding device to dissect tissue defining fascial cleft between chest wall and pectoralis major muscle to tissue pocket Patent Assignee: REHNKE R D (REHN-I) Inventor: REHNKE R D Number of Countries: 001 Number of Patents: 001 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date US 20040006388 A1 20040108 US 96622341 19960321 200407 B Α US 97865824 19970530 Α US 2000525599 Α 20000314 US 2003614763 20030708 Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97865824 A 19970530; US 96622341 A 19960321; US 2000525599 A 20000314; US 2003614763 A 20030708 Patent Details: Filing Notes Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC US 20040006388 A1 10 A61F-002/12 CIP of application US 96622341 Div ex application US 97865824 Cont of application US 2000525599 Div ex patent US 6055989 Abstract (Basic): US 20040006388 A1 NOVELTY - The method involves inserting and advancing an expanding device through an incision made inflatable tissue through a skin. The device is inflated with a fluid to dissect layers defining fascial cleft (16) between a chest wall and a pectoralis major muscle to anatomical boundaries of the cleft. The tissue is dissected to create a tissue pocket to the boundaries of the layers. The device is deflated and removed. USE - Used for dissecting tissue layers to create an anatomic working space to perform laparoscopy in breast, forearm, leg and brow. ADVANTAGE - The device can be tunneled in from a remote incision to a desired location where tissue expansion is to occur, thereby allowing immediate tissue dissection of the pocket and immediate initiation of expansion without the need to permit a local incision to heal. DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The drawing shows a cross sectional view of a human cutaneous tissue and a balloon dissector utilized to form a tissue pocket between the superficial fascial and deep fascia. Subcutaneous fat (10) Dermis layer (11) Superficial fascia (14) Fascial cleft (16) Deep fascia (18) pp; 10 DwgNo 4/7 Title Terms: SURGICAL; DISSECT; METHOD; WORK; SPACE; BREAST; INFLATE; TISSUE; EXPAND; DEVICE; DISSECT; TISSUE; LAYER; DEFINE; CLEFT; CHEST; WALL; MAJOR; MUSCLE; TISSUE; POCKET Derwent Class: P32 International Patent Class (Main): A61F-002/12 International Patent Class (Additional): A61F-002/04 File Segment: EngPI

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Medical device, especially stent for implant into body, comprising coating containing active agent for controlled release of agent

Patent Assignee: SCHNEIDER USA INC (PFIZ); BOSTON SCI SCIMED INC (BOST-N)

Inventor: DING N; HELMUS M N

Number of Countries: 027 Number of Patents: 007

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Abstract (Basic): EP 923953 A2

NOVELTY - Medical device coated with coating comprising undercoat comprising biologically active substance and topcoat to control release of biologically active substance

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - Medical device comprises a portion which is implantable into the body of a patient. At least part of this portion is covered with a coating (102) for release of a biologically active material (105). The coating comprises an undercoat (103) with an outer surface and comprising a polymeric material incorporating the biologically active material for timed release. The coating also comprises a topcoat (104) which covers less than the entire outer surface of the undercoat and comprising a polymeric material free of pores and pore forming materials.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for:

- (1) coating an implantable stent prosthesis with an implantable portion at least partly covered with a coating for release of a biological material, comprising:
- (a) applying an undercoat comprising a polymeric material and the biologically active material to the stent; and
- (b) applying a topcoat comprising a polymeric material free of pores and pore-forming materials over the surface of the undercoat; and
- (2) a method of using a stent prosthesis as above comprising implanting it into the body of a patient and allowing the biologically active material to be released such that the topcoat limits the burst release of the biologically active material

USE - The medical device is especially a stent

ADVANTAGE - The coating provides effective, long term control of active agent release. The coating may be applied to a wide range of stents ${\sf S}$

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows the surface of an implantable prothesis.

coating (102)

undercoat (103)

topcoat (104)

biologically active material (105)

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Title Terms: MEDICAL; DEVICE; STENT; IMPLANT; BODY; COMPRISE; COATING; CONTAIN; ACTIVE; AGENT; CONTROL; RELEASE; AGENT

Derwent Class: A96; B07; D22; P32; P34; P42

International Patent Class (Main): A61F-002/06; A61K-009/00; A61L-002/00;

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pocket dissection and expansion method for plastic surgery applications - involves dissection of pectoral fascia layer and insertion of inflatable balloon into axillary incision to dissect tissue

layers to create pocket volume, adjustable allowing tissue expansion

Patent Assignee: GEN SURGICAL INNOVATIONS INC (GESU-N)

Inventor: YOUNG R A

Number of Countries: 021 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97933406 A 19970919; US 96726072 A 19961003

Patent Details:

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Abstract (Basic): US 5855588 A

The tissue dissection and expansion method involves dissecting the layer of pectoral fascia (14) in a female breast (8) and then inserting a combination dissector/expander in the form of an inflatable balloon (32) into the axillary incision. When a subglandular implant is needed, the balloon is positioned between the glandular breast tissue (10) and the pectoralis major muscle (25). The balloon is inflated with a fluid (e.g. saline solution) to a selected fill volume or pressure such that inflation causes a side portion of the balloon to unroll and a distal portion to evert. The fluid volume is reduced to a level appropriate for long term tissue expansion and then adjusted to gradually expand the dissected tissue pocket over a predetermined period of time.

ADVANTAGE- Easy to use and more economical.

Dwg.2a/9

Title Terms: TISSUE; POCKET; DISSECT; EXPAND; METHOD; PLASTIC; SURGICAL; APPLY; DISSECT; PECTORAL; FASCIA; LAYER; INSERT; INFLATE; BALLOON; AXILLARY; INCISION; DISSECT; TISSUE; LAYER; POCKET; VOLUME; ADJUST; ALLOW; TISSUE; EXPAND

Derwent Class: P32

International Patent Class (Main): A61F-002/12

File Segment: EngPI

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XRPX Acc No: N98-189714

Method to dissect and expand tissue pocket for use in plastic surgery - involves making incision through skin, inserting inflatable device to desired location, inflating device to create pocket and adjusting pressure for expansion

Patent Assignee: GEN SURGICAL INNOVATIONS INC (GESU-N); GEN SURGICAL INNOVATION INC (GESU-N)

Inventor: YOUNG R A

Number of Countries: 021 Number of Patents: 011

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Abstract (Basic): WO 9814123 A

The method involves using a balloon (32) to dissect a tissue pocket under the skin (11) and to expand the tissue pocket. An incision is made through the skin to access the desired tissue layers (10,25). The balloon is inserted into the incision and advanced between the tissue layers to the location where the tissue pocket is to be created.

The tissue layers are dissected to create the pocket by inflating the balloon with a fluid to a selected volume or pressure. The fluid volume of the device is then reduced to a level appropriate for long term tissue expansion, and the dissected tissue pocket is gradually expanded by adjusting the fill volume of the device over a predetermined period of time.

USE - Breast enlargement.

ADVANTAGE - Combines tissue dissection and long term tissue expansion in one operation. Long term tissue expansion reduces cell necrosis.

Dwg.2a/4

Title Terms: METHOD; DISSECT; EXPAND; TISSUE; POCKET; PLASTIC; SURGICAL;

INCISION; THROUGH; SKIN; INSERT; INFLATE; DEVICE; LOCATE; INFLATE;

DEVICE; POCKET; ADJUST; PRESSURE; EXPAND

Derwent Class: P31; P32; P34

International Patent Class (Main): A61B-017/00; A61B-017/32; A61F-002/12

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XRPX Acc No: N93-284383

Tissue expansion method - involves passing deflated tissue expander device subcutaneously from insertion site to tissue expansion site prior to partial inflation

Patent Assignee: ROSENBERG P H (ROSE-I)

Inventor: ROSENBERG P H

Number of Countries: 018 Number of Patents: 002

Patent Family:

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Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 92878161 A 19920504; US 94285490 A 19940803

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Abstract (Basic): WO 9321850 A

The method comprises the steps of: inserting a substantially firm first device at an insertion site which is remote from a tissue expansion site and passing the first device subcutaneously from the insertion site to the tissue expansion site. It involves withdrawing the first device and inserting a deflated **tissue expander device** at the insertion site.

It involves passing at least an inflatable portion of the deflated tissue expander device subcutaneously from the insertion site to the tissue expansion site. It then involves at least partially inflating the inflatable portion of the tissue expander device to expand tissue at the tissue expansion site.

USE - Permit remote subcutaneous insertion of balloon-like tissue expander near scar tissue etc.

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Title Terms: TISSUE; EXPAND; METHOD; PASS; DEFLATE; TISSUE; EXPAND; DEVICE; SUBCUTANEOUS; INSERT; SITE; TISSUE; EXPAND; SITE; PRIOR; INFLATE

Derwent Class: P31; P32

International Patent Class (Main): A61B-019/00; A61F-002/12

File Segment: EngPI

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WPI Acc No: 1986-273606/198642

XRAM Acc No: C86-118387

XRPX Acc No: N86-204231 Implantable device for controlled expansion of tissue - has separately inflatable large lower and small upper envelopes Patent Assignee: DOW CORNING CORP (DOWO) Inventor: JAKUBCZAK E R Number of Countries: 011 Number of Patents: 007 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date EP 197726 Α 19861015 EP 86302324 Α 19860327 198642 AU 8655619 Α 19861009 198647 US 4651717 19870324 US 85719926 Α 19850404 198714 Α ZA 8601352 · A 19870623 ZA 861352 Α 19860224 198739 CA 1249103 A 19890124 198911 EP 197726 в 19920115 199203 DE 3683389 G 19920227 199210 Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 85719926 A 19850404 Cited Patents: A3...8844; DE 2224963; EP 115384; GB 2021954; No-SR.Pub; US

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Abstract (Basic): EP 197726 B

A device comprises an envelope inflatable with biocompatible fluid and having members attached to the lower half for securing to an underlying body member below the tissue to hold the envelope in position, and a second inflatable envelope attached to the first on the side opposite the underlying member and separately inflatable from the first. The second envelope is smaller than the first so that tissue over it is expanded more than the remaining tissue over the first envelope. The envelopes are pref. opt. silicone elastomer, the first contains a shape retainer, and the vol. capacity of the second is no more than half that of the first.

USE/ADVANTAGE - For reconstructive plastic surgery, to provide a flap of complex shape to match a subsequent implant. ((18pp Dwg.No.0/0)

Title Terms: IMPLANT; DEVICE; CONTROL; EXPAND; TISSUE; SEPARATE; INFLATE; LOWER; UPPER; ENVELOPE

Derwent Class: A96; D22; P31; P32; P34

International Patent Class (Additional): A61B-019/00; A61F-002/12;
A61M-029/02

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XRPX Acc No: N86-063844

Soft tissue expander device - has injection port to admit fluid and cause two-stage expansion of cover w.r.t. base

Patent Assignee: MANDERS E K (MAND-I)

Inventor: MANDERS E K

Number of Countries: 009 Number of Patents: 007

Patent Family:

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The expander comprises a flexible base and an expandable cover joined to the periphery of the base to define a fluid tight chamber. A fluid injection port communicates with the interior of the chamber for admitting fluid into the chamber to expand the cover. The cover includes a first limited expansion portion expandable by initial fluid injected through the port.

A differential expansion portion adjacent the limited expansion portion is expandable by the initial injected fluid from a collapsed position overlying the base. It can then undergo further expansion. Upon implantation of the base and collapsed cover beneath a soft tissue layer of skin and subcutaneous tissue, injection of fluid through the port and into the cavity first expands both the first and second cover portions together with the tissue overlying such portions, and then expands the second cover portion. (10pp Dwg.No.1/15)

Title Terms: SOFT; TISSUE; EXPAND; DEVICE; INJECTION; PORT; ADMIT; FLUID; CAUSE; TWO; STAGE; EXPAND; COVER; BASE

CAUSE, IWO, STAGE, EXPAND, COV

Derwent Class: P31; P32

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Surgically implantable tissue expanding device - comprising semipermeable envelope containing soln. of high osmotic pressure

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Abstract (Basic): US 4157085 A

A surgically implantable device for expanding skin tissue and mucous membrane consists of a partially collapsed envelope of semipermeable membrane, permeable to body fluids, contg. a material having sufficient osmotic pressure to draw fluid into the envelope. The device expands after implantation, causing an increase in skin area over it.

The device is constructed of a polymer, e.g. cellulose acetate, polyurethane, polyamide, PVA, polyethylene, PVC, natural rubber etc.; esp. silicone rubber. It is filled with a soln. contg. e.g. MgCl2, Na

acetate, (NH4)2SO4, sucrose, glycerine, PVP, Ca lactate, CMC, urea, proteins, dextrins, etc.; esp. NaCl.

The device is used to generate new skin for grafting, cosmetic surgery, to make room for mammary prostheses, etc. It does not require a connecting tube to the exterior of the body, or periodic injection of filling medium. The tissue generated has an adequate vascular supply.

Title Terms: SURGICAL; IMPLANT; TISSUE; EXPAND; DEVICE; COMPRISE; SEMIPERMEABLE; ENVELOPE; CONTAIN; SOLUTION; HIGH; OSMOSIS; PRESSURE

Derwent Class: A96; D22; P31; P32

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COMBINATION DISSECTOR AND EXPANDER
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INSTRUMENT DE DISSECTION ET EXTENSEUR COMBINES
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PATENT (CC, No, Kind, Date):
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... SPECIFICATION long term tissue expansion.

In the past, inflatable devices have been utilized to dissect tissue layers to **create** an anatomic working space to facilitate the performance of laparoscopic or other minimally invasive surgical procedures. For...

- ...to Peter M. Bonutti, various inflatable devices are disclosed which can be utilized to dissect tissue to **create** an anatomic working space. A surgical balloon dissector and its methods of use are also disclosed in ...
- ...U.S. Patent No. 5,496,345, to Kieturakis et al. It has been found that a tissue pocket formed by balloon dissection is generally more regular and precise than the pocket typically obtained with manual dissection. In contrast to traditional blunt dissection techniques, the dissecting balloon creates a tissue pocket while respecting natural tissue planes or boundaries in the anatomy.

A second class of inflatable devices known...

...closed and the surgery completed. While Johnson discloses the use of an inflatable member to create a **tissue pocket** in the breast for the purpose of augmentation, Johnson uses the implant itself to dissect and does not provide a device or method for further expanding the **tissue pocket** through long term expansion should the size of ...substantially inelastic balloon formed from a urethane material, for example, to dissect tissue layers to create a **tissue pocket** or working space, and thereafter to provide long term tissue expansion if desired.

A combination dissector/expander...

...expander is introduced, preferably by blunt tunneling, to a location where it is desired to create a tissue pocket. The balloon associated with the combination device is then inflated to dissect tissue layers and create the tissue pocket. After dissection, if the dissected pocket is not large enough to accommodate the desired prosthesis, the fluid volume (or pressure) of the combination device may then be adjusted to a level appropriate for long...pectoral fascia 28 defines a naturally occurring tissue plane which may be bluntly dissected to create a tissue pocket between the pectoralis major muscle 25 and the chest wall 27.

In the general use of a...

...balloon. The balloon is filled with a sufficient volume of fluid to cause the balloon to dissect tissue layers and create the desired pocket for the implant.

Although some level of intra-operative expansion may be...rolled,

folded, or gathered balloon 46 is advanced bluntly to a desired location within the body. A **tissue pocket** may be created through dissection by introducing a saline solution inflation medium, such as through the lumen

...47, of the balloon 46. After the upper portion of the balloon 46 has been inflated to **create** the **tissue pocket**, a predetermined amount of inflation fluid may be withdrawn from the interior space 51 through the lumen...

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00347572

Expandable prothesis for corrections of myodystrophies.

Ausdehnungsfahige Prothese fur die Verbesserung einer Muskeldystrophie.

Prothese expansible pour corriger les myodystrophies.

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PATENT (CC, No, Kind, Date): EP 357927 A1 900314 (Basic)

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DESIGNATED STATES: DE; ES; FR; GB

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: A61F-002/08

CITED PATENTS (EP A): WO 8804914 A; EP 197726 A; US 4643733 A; FR 2419065 A; US 4095295 A

ABSTRACT EP 357927 A1

Prothesis for the correction of myodystrophies; the prothesis comprises a shaped body (10) in an elastomeric material, having the form and consistency of the tissues of the area of the limb to be corrected. The body (10) of the prothesis has at least one elastically dilatable part defining a cavity (17) hich can be expanded by filling with a pressurized liquid; a filling tube is connected to said expandable cavity (17) by a check valve.

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: A61F-002/08

... SPECIFICATION cases. From US-A-4.643.733 and EP-A-0197726 are known devices which are inflatable mamary implants and tissue expander not proposed and usable for reconstruction of the muscle of a human limb because they...

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00318800

Tissue expander and method of making and using. Gewebedehneinrichtung und Verfahren zur Herstellung und zum Gebrauch. Dilatateur de tissu et procede de fabrication et d'utilisation. PATENT ASSIGNEE:

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PATENT (CC, No, Kind, Date): EP 324234 A1 890719 (Basic) EP 324234 B1 920610

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: A61F-002/12; A61B-019/00

CITED PATENTS (EP A): EP 181720 A; EP 197726 A; EP 183496 A; EP 115384 A; US 4205401 A

ABSTRACT EP 324234 A1

A tissue expander (10) and a method of making a tissue expander which includes a) a fluid-tight envelope (26) which is inflatable by a single means (24) for inflation and which has an expandable upper section formed of i) a first elastic portion (14) and ii) a second elastic portion (12) formed of a material having a lower modulus of elasticity than that of the material forming the first portion, so that during the inflation of said envelope the modulus of elasticity of each portion at least partially controls the amount of expansion of each portion, thereby allowing the envelope to assume a complex shape. The tissue expander also has a means for inflating the envelope with a biocompatible fluid. ABSTRACT WORD COUNT: 124

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INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: A61F-002/12 ...

... SPECIFICATION other part of the body.

EP-A-0 181 720 discloses a tissue expander in which an **expandable** cover has a thicker limited expansion portion and a thinner differentiel expansion portion both portions made of the same material.

In view of the **tissue expander devices** in the prior art, there remains a need for a tissue expander which can shape overlying tissue... to be expanded according to surgical procedures familiar to those skilled in the art of implantation of **tissue expanders**. Tissue expander 10 is placed in a surgically-formed opening beneath tissue 100. If means for attaching...

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00270384

Instrument for subcutaneous insertion of an injection reservoir.

Instrument fur das Einsetzen eines Injektionsreservoirs.

Instrument pour l'insertion subcutanee d'un reservoir d'injection. PATENT ASSIGNEE:

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DESIGNATED STATES: DE; FR; GB

INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: A61M-025/00; A61M-029/02; A61F-002/12 CITED PATENTS (EP A): US 4641648 A; US 4190040 A; EP 183496 A ABSTRACT EP 260080 A2

An instrument for subcutaneously inserting an injection reservoir attached to an inflatable prosthesis by means of an elongated fluid conduit (32) is disclosed. The instrument (10) has a hollowed end (12) which holds the injection reservoir (30) to be inserted in a mating, releasable fashion and that end is attached to a handle for guiding the hollowed end (12) to the desired site. Desirably, but optionally, the end of the handle of the instrument is provided with a shaped tapered portion (17) to act as a dilator to create a subcutaneous pocket prior to insertion of the injection reservoir.

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...SPECIFICATION a surgical procedure for obvious reasons; therefore, a single incision is normally desirable and is used to create a subcutaneous pocket for the inflatable envelope of the tissue expander as well as the injection reservoir. This can create some difficulty for the surgeon since the injection reservoir must generally be passed along a narrow subcutaneous tunnel not much larger than the injection...subcutaneous pocket is made and the prosthesis, in this case tissue expander 40, is inserted into that pocket beneath side 401 of the incision in the patient's skin in the usual manner of inserting such prostheses. Portion 20 of instrument 10 can be used to create a subcutaneous tunnel for injection reservoir 30 by inserting portion 20 beneath side 402 of the incision in the patient's skin using end...

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00217638

Multiple envelope tissue expander device.

Gewebeausweitungsvorrichtung mit mehreren Hullen.

Dispositif d'expansion de tissu comportant des poches multiples.

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CITED PATENTS (EP A): US 4433440 A; DE 2224963 A; EP 115384 A; GB 2021954 A ; US 4125117 A

ABSTRACT EP 197726 A2

Multiple envelope tissue expander device .

This invention relates to an implantable, multiple envelope tissue expander and to a method of using the same to produce a flap or section of tissue having a preselected shape for use in plastic surgical procedures. The device consists essentially of at least two separately inflatable envelopes wherein one is used as a base and is fixed to body members underlying the tissue to be expanded. The other envelope is smaller in volume than the first and is attached to the upper half of the base envelope to expand the tissue overlying the second envelope to a greater extent than is accomplished by the first envelope to thereby produce a section of tissue with a preselected shape.

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Multiple envelope tissue expander device INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASS: A61F-002/12

...ABSTRACT A2

Multiple envelope tissue expander device .

This invention relates to an implantable, multiple envelope tissue expander and to a method of using the...

- ...SPECIFICATION relates to a device for expanding tissue for use in reconstructive plastic surgery. The novel multiple chamber tissue expander device creates tissue having a preselected shape which is determined by the manner in which the device is...
- ...to produce a flap having a complex shape.

One object of this invention is to provide a **tissue expander device** which is capable of producing a flap of tissue of complex shape
such as where the center...patient's body) according to surgical
procedures familiar to those skilled in the art of implantation of **tissue expanders**. **Device** 100 is placed in a surgically formed pocket
beneath tissue 300 and sutures 302 are used to...

...at the same time.

FIG. 6 shows an alternative embodiment of the present invention as dual envelope tissue expander device 600 which consists essentially of a generally rectangular envelope 602 of biocompatible silicone elastomer which serves as...

...CLAIMS B1

- 1. An implantable, multiple envelope tissue expander device for the controlled expansion of tissue consisting of:
 - A) a first inflatable biocompatible envelope(102) having a...
- ...tissue to substantially assume the shape of the upper surfaces of the fully inflated envelopes.
 - 2. The tissue expander device as claimed in Claim 1 wherein said envelopes are made of a biocompatible silicone elastomer.
 - 3. The tissue expander device as claimed in Claim 1 wherein said first envelope contains a shape retaining means (702).
 - 4. The **tissue expander device** as claimed in Claim 1 wherein the volume capacity of said second envelope is no greater than 50% of the volume capacity of said first envelope.
 - 5. The tissue expander device as claimed in Claim 4 wherein said first envelope contains a shape retaining means. ...

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IMPLANTABLE PROSTHETIC OR TISSUE EXPANDING DEVICE PROTHESE OU TISSU EXPANSIBLE IMPLANTABLES

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Claims

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English Abstract

A keratin hydrogel-filled implantable prosthetic device is claimed. The device is an implant for the intervertebral disc space. One source of keratin is human hair. The device (504) can comprise envelopes of a keratin hydrogel (502) that may be used for partial or full disc replacement. The envelopes may be encased in an outer wall (506).

French Abstract

L'invention porte sur une prothese implantable remplie d'hydrogel de keratine dont une variante est un implant mammaire comprenant une enveloppe contenant un hydrogel de keratine servant a augmenter ou reconstituer le volume d'un sein, et une autre variante, un implant occupant l'espace d'un disque intervertebral. On obtient l'hydrogel de keratine a partir d'un precurseur solide auquel on ajoute de l'eau, l'une des sources de keratine etant le cheveu humain. Selon une methode, on utilise une enveloppe adaptee a l'implantation et le susdit precurseur solide qui peut etre sous forme de fibres ou de poudre et qu'on introduit dans l'enveloppe qu'on insere dans une petite incision faite a cote du sein. Apres l'insertion on peut injecter de l'eau de preference par l'incision dans un orifice autoobturant de l'enveloppe. Selon une autre methode l'implant se presente sous la forme d'une trousse contenant l'hydrogel de keratine et l'enveloppe dans laquelle on peut injecter l'hydrogel soit avant soit son implantation dans la region mammaire. L'un des type de trousse contient le precurseur d'hydrogel en poudre place dans l'enveloppe auquel on ajoute de l'eau de preference apres l'implantation. Selon une troisieme methode, l'implant comprend une enveloppe ou se trouve deja l'hydrogel ou son precurseur.

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The present invention is generally related to medical prostheses or implants for augmentation...invention may be described, therefore, in certain aspects as a prosthetic device or implant, or even a tissue device , wherein the device includes a composition comprising expander a hydratable keratin solid to be used as a filler...

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DEVICES AND METHODS FOR ATTENUATION OF PRESSURE WAVES IN THE BODY DISPOSITIFS ET PROCEDES D'ATTENUATION DES ONDES DE PRESSION DANS LE CORPS Patent Applicant/Assignee:

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Claims

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English Abstract

Disclosed are pressure attenuators (66), for attenuating pressure changes in an anatomical structure.

French Abstract

La presente invention concerne des attenuateurs de pression permettant d'attenuer les variations de pression dans une structure anatomique. Ces attenuateurs sont mobiles entre une premiere configuration d'introduction, et une seconde configuration d'implantation. Dans la seconde configuration d'implantation, l'attenuateur reduit les pics de pression dans le corps en diminuant de facon reversible son volume, en reponse a ces pics de pression. Dans une premiere application, l'attenuateur est utilise pour traiter les dysfonctionnements des voies urinaires. En outre, cette invention concerne des dispositifs de deploiement, des dispositifs de retrait, et des methodes correspondantes.

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... the pathway to the valve 80, particularly in an embodiment adapted for coupling to a deflation and **removal device** as will be discussed. Alternatively, the reinforcing tube 108 may be removable and used to prevent sealing...during normal voiding, or can remain in the bladder in a deflated state until removed using a **removal device**.

The predetermined dwell time within the bladder can be influenced by a variety of design factors, including...to pull the collapsed attenuator 66 into the distal end 156 of the tubular body 152. The **removal device** 150 having the reduced attenuator 66 therein or carried thereby may be transurethrally removed from the patient...

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IMPLANTABLE PROSTHETIC OR TISSUE EXPANDING DEVICE PROTHESE IMPLANTABLE OU EXPANSIBLE DANS LES TISSUS

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Claims

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English Abstract

A keratin hydrogel-filled implantable prosthetic device. One device is a breast implant for augmenting or reconstructing a human breast including an envelope containing a keratin hydrogel. One keratin hydrogel is formed from a solid precursor which forms a keratin hydrogel upon addition of water. One source of keratin is human hair. In one method, an envelope suitable for implantation and a solid keratin hydrogel precursor are provided. The solid can be in fibrous or powder form. The solid precursor can be inserted into the envelope interior. A small incision near the breast can be made and the envelope inserted into the incision. After insertion, water can be injected into the envelope interior, preferably through the incision and through a self-sealing port in the envelope. In one method, the implant is provided as a kit, with the envelope and keratin hydrogel provided. The hydrogel can be injected into the envelope either before or after insertion into the breast area. One kit has a powdered, keratin hydrogel precursor disposed within the envelope interior, awaiting the addition of water, preferably after insertion of the implant into the body.

French Abstract

La presente invention concerne une prothese implantable remplie d'hydrogel de keratine et notamment un implant mammaire fait d'une enveloppe garnie d'hydrogel de keratine du type de ceux utilises pour la reconstruction ou l'augmentation de volume des seins de femmes. En l'occurrence, on realise un hydrogel de keratine a partir d'un precurseur solide formant l'hydrogel de keratine par adjonction d'eau. L'une des sources de la keratine sont les cheveux humains. Pour l'un des procedes, on dispose d'une enveloppe convenant a l'implantation et d'un precurseur solide d'hydrogel de keratine sous forme de fibres ou de poudre. Ce precurseur solide se prete a une introduction a l'interieur de l'enveloppe. Pour introduire l'enveloppe, on pratique une petite incision au niveau du sein, puis on injecte de l'eau a l'interieur de l'enveloppe, de preference via l'incision en traversant un orifice se fermant automatiquement. Selon un mode de realisation, l'implant est un necessaire rassemblant l'enveloppe et l'hydrogel de keratine. De fait, l'hydrogel peut s'injecter dans l'enveloppe avant ou apres insertion dans le sein. L'un des necessaires est une enveloppe deja pourvue de la dose de precurseur d'hydrogel de keratine en poudre, attendant l'adjonction d'eau, de preference apres mise en place de l'implant "in corpore".

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IMPLANTABLE PROSTHETIC OR TISSUE EXPANDING DEVICE

Field of the Invention

The present invention is generally related to medical prostheses or implants for augmentation...invention may be described, therefore, in certain aspects as a prosthetic device or implant, or even a tissue expander device, wherein the device includes a composition comprising a hydratable keratin solid to be used as a filler...

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IMPLANTS FILLED WITH SOLID OR SEMI-SOLID MATERIAL

IMPLANTS A CHARGE SOLIDE

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Detailed Description

Claims

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English Abstract

A tissue implant (42) is described which includes at least one fibrous material (52). The fibrous material (52) can be directly inserted into a cavity within the tissue or a shell (54) can be inserted into the cavity either pre or post filled with the fibrous material (52). Method for surgically forming the cavity and inserting the implants are also described. A container for a tissue implantable solid filler material is also disclosed. The filler material can be directly inserted into a cavity within the tissue or into a shell that can be inserted into the cavity which either already contains the filler or has the filler added thereto during implantation. Methods for packaging the filler material are also disclosed.

French Abstract

L'invention concerne un implant tissulaire comprenant au moins un materiau fibreux. Ce materiau peut etre introduit directement dans une cavite a l'interieur des tissus. On peut egalement introduire une

enveloppe dans ladite cavite, soit avant, soit apres son remplissage avec le materiau fibreux. L'invention traite egalement du procede de formation de la cavite de facon chirurgicale et d'introduction des implants, ainsi que d'un conteneur de materiau de charge implantable dans les tissus. Le materiau de charge peut etre directement introduit dans une cavite a l'interieur des tissus ou dans une enveloppe qui peut etre introduite dans ladite cavite, que cette derniere contienne deja la charge ou que ladite charge y soit ajoutee lors de l'implantation. L'invention concerne egalement l'emballage du materiau de charge.

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Detailed Description

... is then used to create an initial pocket in the tissue region for insert of a deflated tissue expander device .

After the tissue expander is properly positioned in desired body region, inflation of the expander results in...

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AIR PERMEABLE ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING A HYDROPHOBIC FOAM BACKSHEET LAYER ARTICLE ABSORBANT, PERMEABLE A L'AIR ET DOTE D'UNE COUCHE SUPPORT EN MOUSSE

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English Abstract

The present invention relates to absorbent articles such as under arm sweat pads, bandages, sanitary napkins, panty liners, disposable diapers or adult incontinence products which are air permeable and comprise at least one layer of hydrophobic open celled foam.

French Abstract

L'invention concerne des articles absorbants, tels que des tampons d'absorption de la transpiration des aisselles, des bandages, des

Because this "dusting" layer provides some additional **fluid** -handling capabilities such as rapid wicking of **fluid** along the length of the 0 pad, its inclusion is typically preferred in absorbent cores according to

- ...absorbent cores. Such reinforcing scrims should be of such configuration as to not form interfacial barriers to **fluid** transfer, especially if positioned between the respective layers of the absorbent core. 1 5 Another component which...
- ...the absorbent core and preferably is provided close to or as part of the primary or secondary **fluid** distribution layer are odor control agents. These can be selected from active carbon or coated active carbon...
- As known from the HIPE foams mentioned above the emulsifier has a strong effect on the **fluid** handling characteristics of the HIPE foam. Hence it is desirable to use a emulsifier which does not...less than 1.4 mm can still provide the desired soil through performance and with reduced thickness **increased** air permeability while being acceptable from a comfort point of view in the context for example of...
- ...that 1 5 they are made from a single form substrate or whether they are made from separate substrates which are attached to each other. Joining of materials

 It is important according to the present...
- ...water vapor exchange. An alternative is to join the topsheet and the backsheet along their common periphery extending beyond the periphery of the absorbent core such that none of the area of the article co...
- ...the backsheet of absorbent articles the overall construction of the article should be such that the structural liquid driving force (often also referred to as capilarity) and the surface material related driving force (typically referred...
- ...that the storage layer in the absorbent cone is the location within the article from 13 which liquid has no natural tendency to escape. In physical terms the presence of liquid in the liquid storage layer of the absorbent core should be the status of highest entropy (lowest free energy) for migration of liquid within the article. A particularly preferred absorbent article embodiment according to the present invention is a panty liner which comprises a formed film topsheet, an absorbent core with a laminate of two tissue layers with odour control material and absorbent gelling material between the layers and a hydrophobic foam backsheet made...
- ...a generally air permeable backsheet positioned on a first side of said core, and

optionally a generally **liquid** permeable topsheet positioned on a second side of said core characterized in that said backsheet comprises a...

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COMBINATION DISSECTOR AND EXPANDER

DISPOSITIF COMBINE DE DISSECTION ET D'EXPANSION

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Claims

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English Abstract

A combination tissue dissector and long term expander is disclosed for use in plastic surgery applications and other applications where it is desirable to dissect a tissue pocket , and serially expand the dissected pocket through long term tissue expansion. The combination device performs the separate functions of dissection, and long term expansion in a single balloon package (46). In an exemplary embodiment, three sheets of substantially inelastic material are bonded together at their outer margins to form two discrete inflatable chambers (44, 46). The lower inflatable chamber (44) defined by the middle and lower balloon sheets (45, 47) is further welded together at various points over the sheet's surface area to create a semi-rigid base portion which provides a flat well-defined footprint for the balloon. The semi-rigid base prevents further enlargemnt of the **tissue pocket** at the margins when the device is utilized as a tissue expander. In a preferred method of use for the combination device, the combination device is tunneled bluntly to a desired location within the body. The device is then inflated to dissect tissue layers along natural tissue planes, and create a tissue pocket . After dissection, the combination device may be left within the body as a temporary implant to further expand the tissue pocket through long term expansion until the desired tissue pocket volume is achieved.

French Abstract

L'invention concerne un dispositif combine de dissection et d'expansion a long terme destine a etre utilise dans des applications de chirurgie plastique et dans d'autres applications ou il est souhaitable de proceder a la dissection une poche de tissu et a l'expansion en serie de la poche dissequee par expansion du tissu a long terme. Le dispositif combine permet d'executer les fonctions separees de dissection et d'expansion a long terme dans un emballage unique a ballonnet (46). Dans un mode de realisation pouvant servir d'exemple, on reunit par liaison trois feuilles de matiere sensiblement non elastique au niveau de leurs marges exterieures de maniere a former deux chambres gonflables distinctes (44, 46). On soude de nouveau la chambre gonflable inferieure (44) definie par les feuilles de ballonnet (45, 47) mediane et inferieure sur plusieurs points de la zone de surface de la feuille de maniere a creer une partie de base semi-rigide qui constitue un trace plat bien defini pour le ballonnet. La base semi-rigide empeche tout elargissement de la poche de tissu aux marges lorsque le dispositif est utilise pour une expansion de tissus. Dans un procede d'utilisation prefere du dispositif combine, le dispositif combine est introduit de maniere brusque par un tunnel dans un emplacement voulu a l'interieur du corps. On gonfle le dispositif pour dissequer les couches de tissus le long de plans de tissus naturels, et creer une poche de tissu. Apres la dissection, on peut laisser le dispositif combine a l'interieur du corps comme implant temporaire pour continuer a gonfler la poche de tissu par expansion a long terme jusqu'a obtention du volume de poche de tissu voulu.

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Claims

- ...disclosed for use in plastic surgery applications and other applications where it is desirable to dissect a **tissue pocket**, and serially expand the dissected pocket through long term tissue expansion. The combination device performs the separate...
 - ...sheets (45, 47) is further welded together at various points over the sheet's surface area to **create** a semi-rigid base portion which provides a flat well-defined footprint for the balloon. The semi-rigid base prevents further enlargement of the **tissue pocket** at the margins when the device is utilized as a tissue expander. In a preferred method of...
 - ...within the body. The device is then inflated to dissect tissue layers along natural tissue planes, and create a tissue pocket. After dissection, the combination device may be left within the body as a temporary implant to further expand the tissue pocket through long term expansion until the desired tissue pocket volume is achieved.

Detailed Description

... of which is also hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety. It has been found that a **tissue pocket** formed by balloon dissection is generally more regular and precise than the pocket typically obtained with manual dissection. In contrast to traditional blunt dissection techniques, the dissecting balloon creates a **tissue pocket** while respecting natural tissue planes or boundaries in the anatomy.

A second class of inflatable devices known...closed and the surgery completed. While Johnson discloses the use of an inflatable member to create a tissue pocket in the breast for the purpose of augmentation, Johnson uses the implant itself to dissect and does not provide a device or method for further expanding the tissue pocket through long term expansion should the size of the initially dissected space be insufficient.

Accordingly, there is...

...substantially inelastic balloon formed from a urethane material, for example, to dissect tissue layers to create a **tissue pocket** or working space, and thereafter to provide long term tissue expansion if desired.

A combination dissector/expander...expander is introduced, preferably by blunt tunneling, to a location where it is desired to create a **tissue pocket**. The balloon associated with the combination device is then inflated to dissect **tissue layers** and **create** the **tissue pocket** After dissection, if the dissected pocket is not large enough to accommodate the desired prosthesis, the **fluid** volume (or pressure) of the combination device may then be adjusted to a level appropriate for long...pectoral fascia 28 defines a naturally occurring tissue plane which may be bluntly dissected to create a **tissue pocket** between the pectoralis major muscle 25 and the chest wall 27.

In the general use of a...balloon. The balloon is filled with a sufficient volume of fluid to cause the balloon to dissect tissue layers and create the desired pocket for the implant.

Although some level of intra-operative expansion may be...rolled, folded, or gathered balloon 46 is advanced bluntly to a desired location within the body. A tissue pocket may be created through dissection by introducing a saline solution inflation medium, such as through the lumen

...47, of the balloon 46. After the upper portion of the balloon 46 has been inflated to **create** the **tissue pocket**, a predetermined amount of inflation fluid may be withdrawn from the interior space 51 through the lumen...

Claim

1 A method of using an inflatable device to dissect a tissue pocket

underlying the skin and to thereafter expand the dissected tissue pocket , the method comprising the steps of: providing an inflatable device comprising a balloon having an inflatable space... ...rolled laterally along a surface of said balloon; making an incision through the skin to access desired tissue layers ; inserting the inflatable device into the incision; advancing the inflatable device between the tissue to a layers location remote from the incision where it is desired to create a tissue pocket; pocket by dissecting the tissue layers to create the tissue inflating the inflatable device with a fluid to a selected fill volume or pressure whereby inflation causes said side portion of said balloon to unroll and said distal portion to evert; reducing the fluid volume of the inflatable device to a level appropriate for long term tissue expansion; and gradually expanding the dissected tissue pocket by adjusting the fill volume of the inflatable device over a predetermined period of time. 2 The method of claim 1 wherein the tissue pocket... (Item 22 from file: 349) 26/5,K/34 DIALOG(R) File 349: PCT FULLTEXT (c) 2004 WIPO/Univentio. All rts. reserv. 00338159 AN ABSORBENT BODY WHICH INCLUDES CAVITIES CORPS ABSORBANT COMPORTANT DES CAVITES Patent Applicant/Assignee; MoLNLYCKE AB, WIDLUND Urban, Inventor(s): WIDLUND Urban, Patent and Priority Information (Country, Number, Date): wo 98,20671 A1 19960711 Patent: WO 95\$E1592 19951228 (PCT/WO SE9501592) Priority Application: SE 944\583 \(19941230 \) Designated States: AU CA CN CZ\FI/HU JP MX NO NZ PL SK US AT BE CH DE DK ES FR GB GR IE IT LU MC NL PT SE\ Main International Patent Class: / A61F-013/15 Publication Language: Spanish Fulltext Availability: Detailed Description Claims Fulltext Word Count: 7731 English Abstract An absorbent article which includes a liquid-permeable outer sheet (1) mounted on a first surface of the article, a liquid-impermeable outer sheet (2) mounted on a second surface of the article, and an absorbent body (3) which is enclosed between the two casing sheets and which includes a receiving space (24) for receiving and accommodating body liquid or fluid, the space comprising at least one cavity or region of lower density than the density of a part of the absorbent body (3) located adjacent the receiving space (24) generally in the same plane. The article is characterized in that the receiving space (24) is disposed

in a storage layer (19) in the absorbent body (3), wherein the storage layer (19) is formed from a web of material which is divided in the longitudinal direction of the web along a dividing curve (20) which is undulating along at least part of its length so as to cross a line (21) extending in the longitudinal direction of the web at least two times, and the web-parts (22, 23) /are displaced relative to one another in the plane of the web such that/the web-parts (22, 23) will define the

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07176618 PMID: 2425710

Use of Radovan's tissue expander device in reconstructive surgery. Apropos of 3 cases]

Utilisation du dispositif d'expansion tissulaire de Radovan en chirurgie reconstructive. A propos de trois cas.

Ohana J

Annales de chirurgie plastique et esthetique (FRANCE) 1986, 31 (1) p86-93, ISSN 0294-1260 Journal Code: 8305839

Document type: Case Reports; Journal Article; English Abstract

Languages: FRENCH

Main Citation Owner: NLM Record type: Completed Subfile: INDEX MEDICUS Tags: Female; Human; Male

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13599856 PMID: 9340404

[Frontalis suspension with "expanded polytetrafluoroethylene (ePTFE) strips" in congenital ptosis]

Frontalissuspension mittels "expanded- Polytetrafluoroethylene (ePTFE)-Streifen" bei kongenitaler Ptose.

Kuchar A; Ofluoglu A; Novak P; Steinkogler F J

Abteilung A, Universitats Augenklinik Wien.

Klinische Monatsblatter fur Augenheilkunde (GERMANY) Jul 1997, 211

(1) p37-40, ISSN 0023-2165 Journal Code: 0014133 Document type: Journal Article; English Abstract

Languages: GERMAN

Main Citation Owner: NLM Record type: Completed Subfile: INDEX MEDICUS

BACKGROUND: The Frontalis Suspension Technique is indicated in cases with minimal or no levator function. At the beginning sutures were used as sling material and after further modifications suture material was replaced by autologous or homologous fascia lata. In the last years ePTFE has proved to be a very suitable sling material. PATIENTS AND METHODS: Since ePTFE is very biocompatible, it was used for this modified frontalis suspension technique. The anterior tarsal surface is exposed and a small tunnel is created between the skin incision and the second incision superior to the brow. An 0.3 mm thin ePTFE strip is induced into the tunnel and connects the upper lid with the frontalis muscle. The ePTFE Soft Tissue Patch must be exactly adapted to the tarsus and has to be deeply sutured to the frontalis muscle below the brow incision. Since 1994 17 modified frontalis suspension procedures have been performed on 14 patients. RESULTS: The functional and cosmetic result were good in nearly all patients. No implant had to be removed during the follow up period. DISCUSSION: The new technique of frontalis suspension using a ePTFE strip quarantees a regular upper lid lifting by the axial and direct connection of the anterior tarsal surface with the frontalis muscle.

Tags: Female; Human; Male

Descriptors: Blepharoptosis--congenital--CN; *Polytetrafluoroethylene; *Prostheses and Implants; Blepharoptosis--surgery--SU; Child; Child, Preschool; Forehead--surgery--SU; Infant; Surgical Instruments

CAS Registry No.: 9002-84-0 (Polytetrafluoroethylene)

Record Date Created: 19971023 Record Date Completed: 19971023

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09856899 PMID: 8415961

The endoscopic breast augmentation: the transumbilical insertion of saline-filled breast implants .

Johnson G W; Christ J E

Plastic and reconstructive surgery (UNITED STATES) Oct 1993, 92 (5) p801-8, ISSN 0032-1052 Journal Code: 1306050

Comment in Plast Reconstr Surg. 1994 Jul;94(1) 215; Comment in PMID 8016243; Comment in Plast Reconstr Surg. 1994 Jul;94(1):215-6; Comment in PMID 8016244; Comment in Plast Reconstr Surg. 1994 Jun;93(7):1527-8; Comment in PMID 8208831; Comment in Plast Reconstr Surg. 1997 Apr;99(4):1198; Comment in PMID 9091931

Document type: Journal Article

Languages: ENGLISH

Main Citation Owner: NLM Record type: Completed

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Initial aesthetic breast augmentation with inflatable saline implants has always had the distinct advantage of insertion through a small

breast or axillary skin incision . Adapting established techniques utilized in suction-assisted lipectomy, operative endoscopy, and tissue implants , breast augmentation is expansion with inflatable saline possible through an umbilical incision. Under general anesthesia, an incision is made in the umbilicus; a new tubular instrument with an obturator [designated an endotube (Johnson) or mammascope (Christ)] is inserted into the umbilical incision like a suction cannula; it is pushed over the abdominal fascia across the costal margin until it literally pops under the breast fascia; through this tunnel is then inserted an implant coiled like a tobacco leaf; the implant is then inflated to 50 percent more than the final volume and manipulated to help expand the pocket; finally, the excess volume is removed, methyl-prednisolone acetate is placed in the final volume, and the fill tube is removed. The endoscope (laparoscope) is utilized to visualize positioning and to document the absence of bleeding. The umbilical incision is closed after insertion of implants through the same incision. A series of 91 young women have undergone this procedure with 188 breast implantations significant bleeding. Implants appear to ride high initially, but they settle into place by 6 weeks. Patients have reported less chest discomfort some visible temporary upper abdominal swelling. The long-term follow-up is currently being monitored.

Tags: Female; Human

Descriptors: Endoscopy; *Mammaplasty--methods--MT; *Prostheses and Implants ; Adult; Follow-Up Studies; Mammaplasty--instrumentation--IS; Middle Aged; Patient Satisfaction; Postoperative Care; Preoperative Care; Sodium Chloride; Umbilicus

CAS Registry No.: 7647-14-5 (Sodium Chloride)

Record Date Created: 19931101
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DIALOG(R) File 155: MEDLINE(R)

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09753864 PMID: 8321332

[Good results of subfascial endoscopy as treatment of communicating vein insufficiency]

Goede resultaten van subfasciale endoscopie als behandeling van insufficiente Vv. perforantes.

Wittens C H; Bollen E C; Kool D R; van Urk H; Mul T; van Houtte H J St. Fransiscus Gasthuis, afd. Heelkunde, Rotterdam.

Nederlands tijdschrift voor geneeskunde (NETHERLANDS) Jun 12 1993, 137 (24) p1200-4, ISSN 0028-2162 Journal Code: 0400770

Comment in Ned Tijdschr Geneeskd. 1993 Aug 14;137(33) 1684-5; Comment in PMID 8371807

Document type: Journal Article ; English Abstract

Languages: DUTCH

Main Citation Owner: NLM Record type: Completed Subfile: INDEX MEDICUS

Incompetent communicating or perforating veins are often responsible for recurrent varicose veins with skin changes at the lower leg, especially in the postthrombotic syndrome. Subcutaneous and subfascial surgical explorations carry a 35% complication rate. We used a new endoscopic technique to locate and ligate communicating veins with the objective to decrease this complication rate. Through a short skin incision on the anteromedial side of the proximal 1/3 of the lower leg the fascia is incised over 2 cm and the subfascial space opened by finger dissection. A mediastinoscope (length 18 cm; diameter 12 mm) is inserted and pushed down beneath the fascia to the level of the malleolus. Under direct vision the communicating veins crossing this space are located and ligated with haemoclips. In 48 patients, 15 male and 33 female, with a mean age of 53 (22-73) years, 54 legs were treated: 40 legs showed recurrent varicose veins, due to incompetent communicating veins with severe skin changes and ulcers, and 14 had primary varicosis. All patients complained of fatigue and pain. In 49 legs (44 patients) relief of preoperative complaints was obtained and in 5 (4 patients) there was no change. Two indurated wounds

and 1 dehiscent wound were treated conservatively. One patient, operated on both legs, developed a severe subfascial infection on both sides necessitating a reintervention. The advantages of the subfascial endoscopic technique, a fast operative procedure, fewer postoperative wound infections (9.3%), a good cosmetic effect, and a low (2.5% after 3.8 years) recurrent ulcer rate make it a valuable new method for treating incompetent communicating veins.

Tags: Female; Human; Male

Descriptors: *Endoscopy--methods--MT; *Varicose Veins--surgery--SU; *Venous Insufficiency--surgery--SU; Adult; Aged; Leg--blood supply--BS; Ligation--methods--MT; Middle Aged; Varicose Veins--etiology--ET

Record Date Created: 19930805 Record Date Completed: 19930805

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09120198 PMID: 1746863

Calf augmentation.

Montellano L

Annals of plastic surgery (UNITED STATES) Nov 1991, 27 (5) p429-38,

Document type: Journal Article

Languages: ENGLISH

Main Citation Owner: NLM Record type: Completed Subfile: INDEX MEDICUS

I present my experience with calf augmentation surgery for improvement of the contour of so-called "thin legs" due to hypotrophy of the gastrocnemius muscles and the local skin covering. A special type of silicone-gel prosthesis is placed between the muscle and its **fascia**. The space is created by a specific instrument I developed to perform the dissection. The introduction of the prosthesis is done through a 3-cm transverse **skin** incision on the popliteal line.

Tags: Female; Human

Descriptors: *Leg--surgery--SU; Adult; Postoperative Care; Prostheses and Implants; Silicone Elastomers; Surgery, Plastic--instrumentation--IS; Surgery, Plastic--methods--MT

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00159143 DIOGENES RECORD NUMBER: 1060797

MDR REPORT - FINAL : MENTOR CORP.. SPECIAL ORDER TISSUE EXPANDER MODEL PS85062-02 SERIOUS INJURY

FDA NO.: M155571

DEVICE CLASSIFICATION: (LCJ) Skin Expander, Inflatable. CLASS: 2. CFR Cite Not Provided by FDA.

COMPANY NAME: MENTOR CORP (MENTOR)

ADVISORY COMMITTEE: GENERAL AND PLASTIC SURGERY DEVICE PANEL (DVGENPLAS).

SOURCE: FDA MDR LIST (MDR). LIST EDITION: JUNE 1993.

PUBLICATION DATE: July 19, 1988 (19880719)

RECORD TYPE: Fulltext
WORD COUNT: 255 (Short)

DOCUMENT TYPE: DEVICE (DEV).

LANGUAGE: English

TEXT:

DR ORDERED 2 **TISSUE EXPANDERS , DEVICE "A" & "B".** DEVICES WERE ORDERED NONSTERILE TO AID IN CORRECTION OF LARGE HAIRY NEVUS ON A PEDIATRIC

(Item 1 from file: 73) 36/5,K/1 DIALOG(R) File 73: EMBASE (c) 2004 Elsevier Science B.V. All rts. reserv.

EMBASE No: 1997291077

Expanded polytetrafluoroethylen strip (ePTFE) in Frontalis Suspension surgery

FRONTALISSUSPENSION MITTELS EXPANDED-POLYTETRAFLUOROETHYLENE (EPTFE)-STREIFEN 'BEI KONGENITALER PTOSE

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Klinische Monatsblatter fur Augenheilkunde (KLIN. MONATSBL. AUGENHEILKD.

) (Germany) 1997, 211/1 (37-40) CODEN: KMAUA ISSN: 0023-2165 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article

SUMMARY LANGUAGE: GERMAN; ENGLISH LANGUAGE: GERMAN

NUMBER OF REFERENCES: 20

Background: The Frontalis Suspension Technique is indicated in cases with minimal or no levator function. At the beginning sutures were used as sling material and after further modifications suture material was replaced by autologous or homologous fascia lata. In the last years ePTFE has proved to be a very suitable sling material. Patients and methods: Since ePTFE is very biocompatible, it was used for this modified frontalis suspension technique. The anterior tarsal surface is exposed and a small tunnel is incision and the second incision superior to created between the skin the brow. An 0,3 mm thin ePTFE strip is induced into the tunnel and connects the upper lid with the frontalis muscle. The ePTFE Soft Tissue Patch must be exactly adapted to the tarsus and has to be deeply sutured to the frontalis muscle below the brow incision. Since 1994 17 modified frontalis suspension procedures have been performed on 14 patients. Results: The functional and cosmetic result were good in nearly all patients. No implant had to be removed during the follow up period. Discussion: The new technique of frontalis suspension using a ePTFE strip quarantees a regular upper lid lifting by the axial and direct connection of the anterior tarsal surface with the frontalis muscle.

DRUG DESCRIPTORS:

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MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

*ptosis--congenital disorder--cn; *ptosis--surgery--su article; child; clinical article; esthetic surgery; face muscle; female; human; male; surgical technique; treatment outcome; upper eyelid CAS REGISTRY NO.: 9002-84-0, 9039-02-5 (politef) SECTION HEADINGS:

007 Pediatrics and Pediatric Surgery

012 Ophthalmology

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The endoscopic breast augmentation: The transumbilical insertion of saline-filled breast implants

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Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery (PLAST. RECONSTR. SURG.) (United

States) 1993, 92/5 (801-808) CODEN: PRSUA ISSN: 0032-1052 DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH SUMMARY LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

Initial aesthetic breast augmentation with inflatable saline implants has always had the distinct advantage of insertion through a small breast or axillary skin incision . Adapting established techniques utilized in suction- assisted lipectomy, operative endoscopy, and tissue expansion with inflatable saline implants , breast augmentation is possible through an umbilical incision. Under general anesthesia, an incision is made in the umbilicus; a new tubular instrument with an obturator (designated an endotube (Johnson) or mammoscope (Christ)) is inserted into the umbilical incision like a suction cannula; it is pushed over the abdominal fascia across the costal margin until it literally pops under the breast fascia; through this tunnel is then inserted an implant coiled like a tobacco leaf; the implant is then inflated to 50 percent more than the final volume and manipulated to help expand the pocket; finally, the excess volume is removed, methylprednisolone acetate is placed in the final volume, and the fill tube is removed. The endoscope (laparoscope) is utilized to visualize positioning and to document the absence of bleeding. The umbilical incision is closed after insertion of both implants through the same incision. A series of 91 young women have undergone this procedure with 188 breast implantations without significant bleeding. Implants appear to ride high initially, but they settle into place by 6 weeks. Patients have reported less chest discomfort and some visible temporary upper abdominal swelling. The long-term follow-up is currently being monitored.

DRUG DESCRIPTORS:
*sodium chloride
methylprednisolone
MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:
*breast augmentation; *breast endoprosthesis; *endoscopic surgery
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postoperative hemorrhage--complication--co; preoperative evaluation;
priority journal; skin incision; surgical anatomy; surgical approach;
surgical risk; surgical technique
CAS REGISTRY NO.: 7647-14-5 (sodium chloride); 6923-42-8, 83-43-2 (
 methylprednisolone)
SECTION HEADINGS:
009 Surgery

Initial aesthetic breast augmentation with inflatable saline implants has always had the distinct advantage of insertion through a small breast or axillary skin incision. Adapting established techniques utilized in suction—assisted lipectomy, operative endoscopy, and tissue expansion with inflatable saline implants, breast augmentation is possible through an umbilical incision. Under general anesthesia, an incision is made in the umbilicus; a new tubular instrument with an obturator (designated an endotube (Johnson) or mammoscope (Christ)) is inserted into the umbilical incision like a suction cannula; it is pushed over the abdominal fascia across the costal margin until it literally pops under the breast fascia; through this tunnel is then inserted an implant coiled like a tobacco leaf; the implant is then inflated to 50 percent more than the final volume and manipulated to help expand the...

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02386828 EMBASE No: 1983155839

Excision of quadriceps muscle group

Sugarbaker P.H.; Lampert M.H.

Surg. Branch, Div. Cancer Treat., Natl. Cancer Inst., NIH, Bethesda, MD

20205 United States

Surgery (SURGERY) (United States) 1983, 93/3 (462-466)

CODEN: SURGA

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

Excision of the quadriceps muscle group may be selected for definitive treatment of intracompartmental soft tissue sarcomas within this muscle incision is made from anterosuperior iliac spine to group. After a skin the patella, skin flaps are dissected superficial to the fascia lata to the flexor muscles laterally and to the gracilis muscle medially. The superficial femoral artery is dissected free of the quadriceps muscles over the entire thigh. The origins of the sartorius, tensor fascia lata, and rectus femoris muscles are transected from their origins on the pelvis, and the vastus lateralis, vastus medialis, and vastus intermedius muscles are transected from their origins on the femur. To free the specimen, the quadriceps femoris tendon is divided just proximal to its attachment to the patella. The gracilis muscle medially and the short head of the biceps muscle laterally are transected at their insertions and secured to the patella. The subcutaneous tissue and skin are closed over generous suction drains. After operation an ankle-foot orthosis is used to provide for relatively unrestricted ambulation.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

*muscle resection; *quadriceps femoris muscle; *soft tissue sarcoma excision; orthosis; rehabilitation; therapy; muscle; soft tissue; short survey; methodology; human SECTION HEADINGS:

- 009 Surgery
- 016 Cancer
- 019 Rehabilitation and Physical Medicine

...may be selected for definitive treatment of intracompartmental soft tissue sarcomas within this muscle group. After a **skin incision** is made from anterosuperior iliac spine to the patella, skin flaps are dissected superficial to the **fascia** lata to the flexor muscles laterally and to the gracilis muscle medially. The superficial femoral artery is dissected free of the quadriceps muscles over the entire thigh. The origins of the sartorius, tensor **fascia** lata, and rectus femoris muscles are transected from their origins on the pelvis, and the vastus lateralis...

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A surgical technique for hip disarticulation

Sugarbaker P.H.; Chretien P.B.

Surg. Branch, Nat. Cancer Inst., NIH, Bethesda, Md. 20205 United States Surgery (SURGERY) (United States) 1981, 90/3 (546-553)

CODEN: SURGA

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

LANGUAGE: ENGLISH

Hip disarticulation is usually elected for malignant bony and soft tissue tumors below the lesser trochanter of the femur. The operation is performed with the patient in a posterolateral position; in the first phase of the procedure the surgeon stands anterior to the patient. After incision of the skin and division of the femoral vessels and nerve, muscles of the anterior thigh are transected off the pelvic bone from lateral to medial starting with the sartorius and finishing with the adductor magnus. Muscles are divided at their origin except for the iliopsoas and obturator externus which are divided at their insertion on the lesser trochanter of the femur. The quadratus femoris muscle is identified and preserved, then the flexor muscles are transected at their site of origin from the ischial tuberosity. During the next phase the surgeon is posterior to the patient, and the pelvis is rotated from the posterolateral to the anterolateral position. After completion of the skin incision , the gluteal fascia , tensor fascia lata, and the gluteus maximum muscles are divided and dissected free of their posterior attachments to expose the muscles inserting by way of a common tendon onto the greater trochanter. These muscles are then transected at their insertion on the bone. The posterior aspect of the joint capsule is then exposed and transected. Finally, the sciatic nerve is divided and allowed to retract beneath the piriformis muscle. To close the wound the preserved muscles are approximated over the joint capsule and the gluteal fascia secured to the inquinal ligament over suction drains. The skin is closed with interrupted sutures.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

methodology; therapy; musculoskeletal system; joint
MEDICAL TERMS (UNCONTROLLED): hip exarticulation
SECTION HEADINGS:

033 Orthopedic Surgery

009 Surgery

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...patient, and the pelvis is rotated from the posterolateral to the anterolateral position. After completion of the **skin incision**, the gluteal **fascia**, tensor **fascia** lata, and the gluteus maximum muscles are divided and dissected free of their posterior attachments to expose the muscles **inserting** by way of a common tendon onto the greater trochanter. These muscles are then transected at their **insertion** on the bone. The posterior aspect of the joint capsule is then exposed and transected. Finally, the...

...muscle. To close the wound the preserved muscles are approximated over the joint capsule and the gluteal **fascia** secured to the inguinal ligament over suction drains. The skin is closed with interrupted sutures.

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Repairment of retrusion in the orbito-palpebral region using various homologous tissues (by anophthalmia)

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The enucleation of the eyeball is often followed by a retrusion of the upper eye lid to a varied extent. The retrusion is often so apparent that the cosmetic effect of the prosthesis is decreased. In most cases, the cosmetic appearance may be improved only by surgery. The most feasible correction is realized by placing an implant into the upper eye lid between the skin and the circular muscle, or between the orbital fascia and the circular muscle. As a plastic material, a fat, femoral fascia lata, a cartilage or synthetic materials were used. They were introduced into a subcutaneous tunnel through a skin incision . For the same purpose, two kinds of a material were used by the authors: a cadaverous cartilage and a cadaverous sclera fixed in 70% ethanol. The cartilaginous plate was modelled in order to fill up the retruded parts of the upper eye lid after its implantation . A flap was cut from the sclera of fascia , which fitted into the retrusion. The total of 62 patients (38 men and 24women) in the age ranging from 19 to 50 years were operated on. In the majority of the cases (45 patients) they were the patients, by whom the enucleation was not followed by implantation into the Tenon's capsule. In 2 patients, an atrophic stump consisting of a skin and a fat tissue was present. In a further 6 patients, the stump was formed using a polyurethane foam, which was considerably resolved later on. A stump formed from fat tissue occurred in 9 patients. The time following the enucleation ranged from 1 to 27 years. All the patients were wearing their glass prostheses all the time. The cartilage was implanted in 34 patients. The retrusion was corrected by sclera by 28 patients. The patients were controlled for more than 5 years. Better results were obtained, when sclera was implanted

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Subcutaneous preservation of free skull bone flap taken out in decompressive craniectomy (Japanese)

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The best material for cranioplasty of large skull bone defect as a result of decompressive surgery is a patient's own bone flap, since it fits exactly where it was and no recipient's reactions are elicited. Ideally the bone flap should be alive. However, there have been no effective ways to keep a bone flap alive. The authors have attempted to preserve a free bone flap in a sterile and living state by keeping it subcutaneously in the thigh. The reasons the author choose this site for temporary implantation are as follows: sufficient space can be easily made to accomodate a bone flap, curvature of a bone flap fits that of a thigh without difficulties and extreme protrusions caused by implanted bone flap can be avoided. The site of storage is well away from the operative field and independent from each other, and it is possible to get the fascia lata through the same incision for a large dural patch when needed. When the bone flap is too large to be comfortably accommodated and causes significant stretching and protrusions of the covering skin at the bone edge, it is simply divided into two pieces and these are implanted in the same place.

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